

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A resin sheet containing dispersed particles, which comprises a hard coat layer, a base layer comprising an epoxy resin layer comprising 100 parts by weight of an epoxy resin and up to 200 parts by weight of a diffuser having a refractive index different from that of the epoxy resin and having an average particle diameter of from 0.2 to 100 μm , and a reflecting layer comprising a thin metal layer, wherein the diffuser localizes so as to have a concentration distribution in the direction of the thickness of the epoxy resin layer.

2. (original): The resin sheet containing dispersed particles of claim 1, wherein the epoxy resin layer consists of a single layer or comprises superposed layers comprising a diffuser-containing layer and a diffuser-free layer adhered thereto.

3. (original): The resin sheet containing dispersed particles of claim 1, wherein the epoxy resin layer is an outermost layer and the diffuser localizes on the outermost side of the epoxy resin layer, the outermost-side surface of the epoxy resin layer being smooth.

4. (original): The resin sheet containing dispersed particles of claim 1, wherein the difference in refractive index between the diffuser and the epoxy resin is from 0.03 to 0.10.

5. (original): The resin sheet containing dispersed particles of claim 1, which has an oxygen permeability of $0.3 \text{ cc/m}^2 \cdot 24\text{h} \cdot \text{atm}$ or lower.

6. (original): A liquid crystal display which uses the resin sheet containing dispersed particles of claim 1.

7. (currently amended): A resin sheet containing dispersed particles, which comprises a hard coat layer, a base layer comprising an epoxy resin layer comprising 100 parts by weight of an epoxy resin and up to 200 parts by weight of a diffuser having a refractive index different from that of the epoxy resin and having an average particle diameter of from 0.2 to 100 μm , and an inorganic gas barrier layer, wherein the diffuser localizes so as to have a concentration distribution in the direction of the thickness of the epoxy resin layer.

8. (original): The resin sheet containing dispersed particles of claim 7, wherein the epoxy resin layer consists of a single layer or comprises superposed layers comprising a diffuser-containing layer and a diffuser-free layer adhered thereto.

9. (original): The resin sheet containing dispersed particles of claim 7, wherein the epoxy resin layer is an outermost layer and the diffuser localizes on the outermost side of the epoxy resin layer, the outermost-side surface of the epoxy resin layer being smooth.

10. (original): The resin sheet containing dispersed particles of claim 7, wherein the difference in refractive index between the diffuser and the epoxy resin is from 0.03 to 0.10.

11. (original): The resin sheet containing dispersed particles of claim 7, wherein the inorganic gas barrier layer comprises a silicon oxide in which the ratio of the number of oxygen atoms to that of silicon atoms is from 1.5 to 2.0.

12. (original): The resin sheet containing dispersed particles of claim 7, wherein the inorganic gas barrier layer comprises a silicon nitride in which the ratio of the number of nitrogen atoms to that of silicon atoms is from 1.0 to 4/3.

13. (original): The resin sheet containing dispersed particles of claim 7, wherein the inorganic gas barrier layer has a thickness of from 5 to 200 nm.

14. (original): The resin sheet containing dispersed particles of claim 7, which has a moisture permeability of $10 \text{ g/m}^2 \cdot 24\text{h} \cdot \text{atm}$ or lower.

15. (original): A liquid crystal display which uses the resin sheet containing dispersed particles of claim 7.

16. (currently amended): A resin sheet containing dispersed particles, which comprises a hard coat layer, a base layer comprising an epoxy resin layer comprising 100 parts by weight of an epoxy resin and up to 200 parts by weight of a diffuser having a refractive index different from that of the epoxy resin and having an average particle diameter of from 0.2 to 100 μm , a gas barrier layer, and a color filter layer, wherein the diffuser localizes so as to have a concentration distribution in the direction of the thickness of the epoxy resin layer.

17. (original): The resin sheet containing dispersed particles of claim 16, wherein the epoxy resin layer consists of a single layer or comprises superposed layers comprising a diffuser-containing layer and a diffuser-free layer adherent thereto.

18. (original): The resin sheet containing dispersed particles of claim 16, wherein the epoxy resin layer is an outermost layer and the diffuser localizes on the outermost side of the epoxy resin layer, the outermost-side surface of the epoxy resin layer being smooth.

19. (original): The resin sheet containing dispersed particles of claim 16, wherein the difference in refractive index between the diffuser and the epoxy resin is from 0.03 to 0.10.

20. (canceled).

21. (canceled).

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24 (canceled).

25. (original): A liquid crystal display which uses the resin sheet containing dispersed particles of claim 16.